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[ ] Met with Mr. John Conway and Mr. George Murphy, Joint Committee on Atomic Energy staff, to discuss handling of

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[ ] Our final arrangements were that this document plus the Memorandum for Holders, which were left with Mr. Conway, would be read by only three members of the staff, Conway, Rosen and Murphy, and that Conway, in turn, would either brief or show the Memorandum to Chairman Pastore. Conway assured me that he would speak for the Chairman to the effect that before the document was shown to anyone else the Chairman would personally confer with the Director. In addition, it was agreed that within a few days the Agency would pick up the documents and leave with the JCAE an extract of the conclusions.

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[ ] Mr. Robert Michaels, House Appropriations Committee staff, gave me a paper from ARPA containing certain activities [ ] that we let him know whether it is factually correct and whether it is cleared by all appropriate agencies. Mr. Michaels also inquired if we could, in the near future, give them at least a rough estimate of cancellation costs of projects within the Katzenbach Committee framework or reduction in 1968 budget which would be occasioned by the report. I indicated that we were in the process of preparing a letter which as I understand it would explain some of our problems on this and in effect would request that our budget request for 1968 be approved.

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[ ] Talked with Representative Roman C. Pucinski concerning his breakfast visit to the Agency which is now scheduled for 8:00 A.M. Wednesday, 24 May 1967. Mr. Pucinski said the reason for his request to see the Director was his concern over the Agency withdrawal from many of the programs which it had supported prior to the RAMPARTS/NSA controversy. He again repeated his astonishment that these programs could be completely eliminated as a result of this adverse publicity. He said he had no strong feelings about the retention of the Cuban Freedom Committee as such (commenting that he did not have a very high regard for people like Bruce anyway) but he did feel that the Cuban Radio and Radio Free Europe should not be permitted to go down the drain as a result of these articles. He said he was willing to do anything to help and, therefore, had requested this meeting with the Director.

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